

In re application of:  
DICKENSHEETS et al.  
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### PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of 1-month(s) within which to respond to the Office Action dated December 17, 2002. Please find attached our check in the amount of \$55.00 (\$55.00 for 1 month extension fee) is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-62591-3/AJT (468330-00609)).

Respectfully submitted,

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